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## District Governor Grant's Comments

This past month we held our District Convention at the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls. Our main speaker and honored guest for the weekend was PID Randy Heithman. PID Randy's speech was an inspiration to everyone. I want to thank everyone who attended our convention. We all had a great time. The convention committee did a great job. It is hard to know who to thank the most so I will say thanks to everyone. Thank You So Much.

At the business meeting we voted for our new Governor, Vice District Governor and Deputy District Governor for the next Lionistic year. Lion Ken Marshall will be our Governor for 2006-2007. Lion Maggie Dellmore will be our Vice District Governor and Lion Dona Klages will be our Deputy District Governor. Congratulations we know our District will be in good hands.

Keep in mind that April 29<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> are important dates for all Lions who wish to show leadership in our District. April 29<sup>th</sup> Super Day Leadership will be held at the Browning Senior Center in Willoughby Ohio at 8:00am – 1:30pm. May 6<sup>th</sup> will be held at Akron Summa City Hospital. This training is important for all Lions if you wish to serve you must know how to serve. So come have a free lunch and a great learning experience and great leadership training.

Please keep in mind that the State Convention is being held May 19-21

in Cincinnati. This year we have 2 candidates for International Director. So if you are a delegate please be there to vote.

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of April we suffered the loss of one of our Lions who was loved by one and all inside and out of Lionism. The passing of PDG Lion Don Maletz has left an empty place in all of us. Lion Don was my mentor and friend and I will miss him.

Yours in Lionism  
District Governor Grant Frazier  
And Lion Shirley

## District Governor's Schedule

April 22-23-District G Convention  
April 26 - Westlake  
April 29 – Leadership Training at Browning Center in Willoughby  
April 30 – Atwater 59<sup>th</sup> District E Convention  
May 6 – Leadership Training at Akron Summa City Hospital  
May 19-21- State Convention held In Cincinnati

## District Governor (elect) Lion Ken's Comments

Ahaaaa, the buds are on the trees, flowers are peeking out of the ground and the snow is gone. It must be spring. It is also time for chores and spring-cleaning, so please bear with me.

District Convention: This will be well covered elsewhere, but I

would be remiss if I didn't mention the fabulous party that took place on Saturday evening. Thanks to the great hospitality rooms, the band Majestic Sounds and lots of ice cream, we had the best Convention party in many, many years. This really was one to remember. The whole Convention was excellent, but you have to love that hot fudge sundaes!

Elections: Hopefully you are well into the election season, maybe even finished. Please send me a copy of your PU101 form when you have elected your new officers. I know the yellow copy goes to DG Grant, but the faster we get things moving the quicker the new directory will be ready.

Super Saturdays: This training event has been well announced in the previous Bulletins, but I want to add my own "please attend" plea. If you are a new officer the reason to attend is simple, you need the information that will be made available. Even if you are a repeat officer, and have held a job for a number of years, there are three good reasons to show up: (a) you'll pick up a few new ideas, (b) you'll meet some great new people, and, most importantly, (c), you can share your knowledge and experience with the new officers. We all grow by learning from those more experienced, so please help out. Finally, throughout the last two years people have been asking me how to fund their clubs administrative expenses. Well, we will provide some new and useful answers to this question at these meetings.

State Convention: If you have never been to a Lions State Convention, maybe this should be your first try. The theme is the "Red Coats are Coming," in honor of the Boston Intl. Conv. So show up and help elect an International Director candidate and have fun as we fulfill our *Passion to Serve*. See the State Lions web site for more information.

Campaign SightFirst II: If information about CSFII hasn't arrived on your doorstep, it will

soon. To cut to the chase, CSFII is the follow-on to FSI, which raised \$150 million for all manner of eyesight projects. The goal of CSFII is \$150 to \$200 million, and LCIF will be asking every Lions club in the world to participate in one or more of four different ways:

1. Gifts from your members
2. Gifts from your community
3. Club fund raising
4. Gifts from the club's treasury

This is a very worthy effort, but success cannot come at the expense of robbing Peter to pay Paul. That is to say, our already existing and successful eyesight activities cannot be sacrificed to make a big impact on CSFII. Please maintain a balance in your efforts.

So watch your mailbox and listen for the phone to ring. Information is coming your way.

Meetings:

May:

- 6 Super Sat – Summa
- 7 13H Convention
- 16 Ashtabula
- 19-21 State Convention

Lion Ken Marshall, DGe

### **WE NEED and WANT YOUR VOTE...**

The Multiple District Convention is fast approaching (May 19-21). At the Multiple District level, each club is entitled to one (1) vote for every ten members (or majority thereof) in addition all PDG's are entitled to one (1) vote.

Why am I telling you this, because it is important to know that your Club has the ability to affect the outcome of any issue that comes before the Lions of Ohio.

This year we have two (2) individuals that would like to represent Ohio as the next International Director from Ohio. My vote as PDG and my Club's 5 votes are for **LION STEVE SHERER** (past

council chairman, two time past district governor).

I am asking for your club to stand with me, as I stand behind **LION STEVE SHERER** from District 13-G as Ohio's next International Director. He has the qualifications, knowledge, drive and desire; I know he will represent us well.

Please make certain your club has their voice heard as we say that we want **LION STEVE SHERER** to be the next International Director from Ohio. Send all the representatives your club in entitled to, to our Multiple District Convention May 19-21 in Cincinnati.

Respectfully,

PDG Lion Carol Lester  
Campaign Member for  
Lion Steve Sherer

### **2006-2007 DISTRICT DIRECTORY INFORMATION NEEDED... It's only as good as the information received.**

DGe Lion Ken has been working diligently on the 2006-2007 District Directory for about 3 months already. It ready to go to print except for one item...**THE CLUB INFORMATION.** Each year we struggle to print the directory with accurate information in a timely fashion. Before the Directory is sent to print, club information is required including:

- Club Name
- Club Meeting Dates, Time and Location
- Club President name, address, phone number and email
- Club Secretary name, address, phone number and email
- Club Mailing Address (some clubs have a PO Box)

Each club is supposed to complete either on-line or on paper the PU-

101 Club Officer Reporting Form. This form is supposed to be submitted to LCI no later than May 15.

If the **PU-101 report is submitted online**, please email me at [LionsDistrict13C@aol.com](mailto:LionsDistrict13C@aol.com). Be certain to include your club name in your email.

If your club submits the **PU-101 report via US Mail** to LCI; please mail a copy to me at 5543 Breckswood Oval, Broadview Hts., OH 44147.

Your assistance in getting the directory printed accurately and timely is greatly appreciated!

Respectfully,  
PDG Carol Lester

### **Emailing the District...**

Each month we receive many emails from individual Lions. Some of the emails are to inform us of new or changed email addresses or of upcoming events.

The District's email directory has approximately 500 email addresses.

We are asking for your assistance in making in the District's IT Chairman and Webmaster's job a little easier (as well as mine) as well as improve our communication.

Please remember to email [LionsDistrict13C@aol.com](mailto:LionsDistrict13C@aol.com) when the following information occurs:

- New Member is added and has an email address
- An Existing Member changes their email provider or address
- A Member with an email address is dropped from your Club

When sending this information to [LionsDistrict13C@aol.com](mailto:LionsDistrict13C@aol.com) be certain to include the following

information in the email so we can maintain the address book properly:

Your first and last name (not email address)

Your Club Name (all email addresses are stored by club)

First and last name and email address of new or dropped members

Thanks for your assistance,

Lion Carol Lester  
WO [wife of] IT  
Chairman/Webmaster

### **FYI...**

#### **New Gaming Laws in Ohio**

Attorney General Jim Petro officially made public the guidelines for nonprofit groups that want to run games of chance to raise money. Past Council President Lion Dave Risen thought it important that you be aware of these guidelines so that you can properly inform your clubs accordingly.

>Games of chance are poker, blackjack or any given game during which a person gives up something of value in the hope or anticipation of gain. Craps and roulette are excluded. ( NOTE: This is an important guideline and covers a wide area)

>Except for prizes, all money raised must go to a nonprofit group.

>Charitable organizations must be tax exempt and must in most cases, have been operating in the State of Ohio for TWO years.

>Games cannot be conducted by others on behalf of a charity, even if the charity is receiving some of the profit.

>No compensation, including tips, for running or helping run a game.

>Games may only be conducted as part of a festival twice a year if the

event last four days or less or once a year if the event takes five days to end. A festival must have at least two other types of activities and provide food and beverages.

>Games can take place on property owned by the charity for at least a year, leased from a government office or leased from a veterans or fraternal organization.

>The State does not require a license. A nonprofit group must maintain financial records from a gaming event and report those to the Attorney General and Internal Revenue Service.

> Only Charitable Organizations that are determined by IRS rulings to be tax exempt and have been operating in the State of Ohio for TWO years are permitted to run games of chance to raise money. Under the present ruling for many of our Lions Clubs as stated as 504(c)4 status, therefore are not considered Charities and donations and donations to Lions Clubs or projects are not deductible as charitable contributions. With that said, only Clubs or "arms" of clubs with 501(c)3 status, and have operated in the State of Ohio for two years or more, as such would be granted this permission. Guess this is where the "rubber meets the road" and could in fact be a problem or concern for many of our clubs.

### **A message from Dr. Clement Kuziak 2005-2006 LCIF Chair**

Imagine if you and members of your club could give sight to the blind, provide victims of floods and earthquakes with food and water and establish a health clinic in an impoverished village. Well, if you've ever contributed to LCIF, you've done just that or at least made these things possible.

Lions and LCIF are doing extraordinary service around the world.

Throughout the world, Lions are volunteering and gearing up for Campaign SightFirst II. The campaign is off to an excellent start with more than \$36 million in donations.

The efforts of Lions to counter trachoma are featured on the New York Times website. A link to the Lions Clubs International Foundation's website accompanies a story on trachoma that originally appeared in the newspaper's printed edition.

Supported by LCIF, Lions in the Gulf Coast are helping victims of Hurricane Katrina. In South Asia, Lions and LCIF are rebuilding homes in communities devastated by the tsunami. Additionally, Lions and LCIF are aiding earthquake victims in Pakistan.

Did you know that many employers will match your gift to LCIF? Find out how to double your contributions to LFIC.

SightFirst recently approved \$4.7 million in grants to prevent blindness and to bring sight to the blind through cataract surgeries.

Please share this message with other Lions. Thank you for your past support of LCIF and please continue to donate to LCIF. We serve the world community and your community or a community like yours.

**North Coast Lions** are proud to have sponsored the winning District Pease Poster. Our congratulations to Lauryn Palgut from Wickliffe Middle School. She was recognized at the District Convention Saturday

## Here's What's Happening in Our District.....

**Chippewa Lake Lions Club Flower Sale**...just in time for Mother's Day. Sale May 6-7 and May 13-14. Contact any club member for details

**Chippewa Lake Lions Club Parade** will be held on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Contact any club member for details and information

Copley Lions 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Ride for Sight" is scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with Copley Heritage Days August 6<sup>th</sup> weekend ride 15/30/60 rolling miles through Summit and Medina Counties. Full services including breakfast and lunch. Tee shirts for the 1<sup>st</sup> 100 registered. Contact Lion Kathy Starkey 330-697-4137 email [sublimepi@aol.com](mailto:sublimepi@aol.com) or mail to 1558 S Cleveland Massilon Rd. Copley OH 44321-1908

**Cuyahoga Falls Lions** are collecting Acme Tapes again this year. The dates are September 4 – March 26, 2006. Please mail them to Lion Jim Homa 1111 Taft Avenue Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223.

**Garfield Hts. Lions Club** is holding their Annual Golf Outing on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Call any club member for more information

**Mayfield Hts Lions** "Spring Fling" held at the Mayfield Heights Community Center 633-6 Marsol Road, Mayfield Heights from 1PM to 4PM. Food, gifts, music and FUN! Benefits special needs people. Call Marjorie at 440-442-4136 for reservations.

**North Coast Lions** are holding a Murder Mystery Dinner on Saturday, October 28, 2006, \$25/person, costumes optional, door prizes, raffles, and silent auction.

3 Digit Lottery \$5/ticket win \$50 if your number matches any of the two daily drawings in September and

\$100 Holiday Gift Card and a \$50 Gas Card for December drawing. For more details call Lion Wallie 440-944-3947 or email at [wdburnet@aol.com](mailto:wdburnet@aol.com)

**North Royalton Lions Annual Save-n-Eye Golf Outing** is being held July 26<sup>th</sup> at the Cooper Top Golf Club (Cherokee Hills). Prizes galore! Contact club for details.

**Royalton Hills Lions** will be holding their annual Ladies Only Golf Outing on June 21<sup>st</sup> at Hinckley Hills Golf Course. Contact Lion Pam Abrams for tickets 440-582-0709.

**Stow-Munroe Falls Lions Club Mother's Day Flower Sale** May 13<sup>th</sup> held at Eddy's Plaza & Fifth Third Bank from 8AM-4PM

**Willoughby Evening Lions Golf Outing** held June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Lost Nation Golf Course. Contact any club member for details.

**Willoughby Lions Club Duathlon Race** held June 18<sup>th</sup> at Osborn Park. Contact any club member for details.

**Check out our Web Site for more club information and upcoming events.**

*Advertise your events in our District bulletin and on our website. Lion Dan is always ready to get your events posted on the website. Please email your flyer to [Lionsdistrict13C@aol.com](mailto:Lionsdistrict13C@aol.com) and Lion Dan will get them posted on our website. Please email information for the bulletin to me at [Bareftn813@aol.com](mailto:Bareftn813@aol.com) or by snail mail to 9950 Abbey Road, North Royalton, OH 44133*